

SECTION 16118 UNDERGROUND CONDUIT DUCT BANK

PART 1 - GENERAL

1.1 RELATED DOCUMENTS

- A. Drawing and general provisions of the Contract, including General and Supplementary Conditions, apply to this Section.

1.2 SUMMARY

- A. This Section includes the following:
 - 1. Metallic and Non-metallic Underground Conduit Duct banks.
 - 2. Non-metallic innerduct.
- B. Related Sections: The following Sections contain requirements that relate to this Section:
 - 1. Drawings and general provisions of the Contract, including General and Supplementary Conditions apply to this Section.
 - 2. Section 02222, Excavation for Utilities: Excavation and backfill for conduit and utilities on site.
 - 3. Section 03300, Cast-In-Place Concrete: Protective envelope for underground conduit installations.
 - 4. Section 16111, Conduit and Fittings.
 - 5. Section 16117, Manholes.
 - 6. Section 16450, Grounding.

1.3 REFERENCES

- A. American National Standards Institute (ANSI):
 - 1. ANSI C2-97, National Electrical Safety Code.
- B. National Fire Protection Association (NFPA):
 - 1. NFPA 70-99, National Electrical Code (NEC)

1.4 SUBMITTALS

- A. General: Submit each item in this Article according to the Conditions of the Contract and General and Supplementary Conditions.
- B. Products furnished from listed manufacturers are pre-approved but still require submittal.
- C. Submit proposed substitutions for approval in accordance with General and Supplemental Conditions.
- D. Submit for information as-built drawings indicating accurate routing of underground duct banks.

1.5 QUALITY ASSURANCE

- A. NFPA Compliance: Equipment and components shall be designed, fabricated, and installed in compliance with NFPA 70.
- B. UL and NEMA Compliance: Provide components required as part of duct banks that are listed and labeled by UL and comply with applicable NEMA standards.

- C. Coordination: Coordinate layout and installation of duct banks with underground piping and with other installations.

1.6 DELIVERY, STORAGE, AND HANDLING

- A. Deliver, store, protect, and handle products in a manner to ensure installation of materials in new condition. Protect materials in on-site storage from weather.
- B. Accept conduit on-site. Inspect for damage.
- C. Protect non-metallic conduit from entrance of debris, and provide appropriate covering to protect from sunlight.

1.7 SEQUENCING AND SCHEDULING

- A. Coordinate location of concrete duct banks with other construction activities.

PART 2 - PRODUCTS

2.1 RIGID NON-METALLIC CONDUIT

- A. Refer to Specification 16111, Conduit and Fittings, Part 2.

2.2 INNERDUCT

- A. Corrugated non-metallic, high density polyethylene (HDPE) innerduct, sizes as shown, for installation in PVC duct. Provide length marked pull rope in each innerduct.

2.3 CAST-IN-PLACE CONCRETE

- A. Concrete: Refer to Division 03300.
- B. Reinforcement: According to details.

PART 3 - EXECUTION

3.1 EXAMINATION

- A. Verify routing and termination locations of conduit duct bank prior to excavation.
- B. Verify field measurements.
- C. Verify conduit is anchored prior to placing concrete.

3.2 PREPARATION

- A. Excavate, trench, and prepare site for underground conduit duct bank installation.

3.3 INSTALLATION

- A. Install underground conduit duct bank according to routing and details shown.
- B. Where necessary to cut conduit, use saw or pipecutter; and deburr cut ends.
- C. Bring conduit to shoulder of fittings; fasten securely.

- D. Join non-metallic conduit using cement recommended by manufacturer. Wipe non-metallic conduit dry and clean before joining. Apply full even coat of cement to entire area inserted in fitting. Allow joint to cure for 20 min, minimum.
- E. Use suitable non-metallic separators and chairs installed not greater than 4 ft on centers. Band conduit together with suitable banding devices. Anchor conduit to prevent movement during concrete placement.
- F. Stagger conduit joints in concrete encasement 6 inches min, vertically.
- G. Install conduit with minimum slope of 3 in./100 feet, sloping toward manholes.
- H. Depth: Per IEEE C2; top of duct bank 24 inches minimum below finished grade.
- I. Terminate conduits with PVC end bells at manhole entries.
- J. Use suitable caps to protect installed conduit from entrance of dirt and moisture.
- K. Install innerduct with cables in a single duct at the same time in the same pull.
- L. Install reinforcing bars as shown in details, duct banks are "regular construction" (requiring no reinforcing) unless otherwise noted. Note reinforcing requirements as "regular reinforcing" or "heavy reinforcing."
- M. Install regular reinforced type construction for duct banks passing under roadways, and extend reinforcement 10 feet beyond each side of roadbed.
- N. Pour concrete into formed bank of conduits.
- O. Provide a minimum of 3 inches of concrete cover at bottom, top, and sides of conduit duct bank.
- P. Install 4/0 bare copper conductor in concrete at top center of duct bank approximately 1 inch below top surface of concrete.
- Q. Uniformly dust red iron oxide over top of freshly poured concrete at the rate of 1 lb/yd of surface.
- R. Provide rigid steel conduit for all 90 degree bends and for all stub-ups through slabs on grade. Provide threaded adapters, made specifically for the purpose, to convert from rigid steel to PVC conduit.

3.4 FIELD QUALITY CONTROL

- A. Verify that installed duct banks drain to manholes.
- B. Check that ducts are open and free of debris.

3.5 CLEANING

- A. Clean ducts from all debris and leave in condition for cable pulling.

3.6 PROTECTION

- A. Provide protective plugs for all ducts at both ends. Secure pull ropes at both ends for cable pulling or future use.

END OF SECTION 16118